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Dear Mr. Goff,

Thanks you for your letter of May 4 and the enclosed records, here today.

I am sorry that my relationship with the Secret Service could not continue as it appeared to be when we conferred.

To the degree possible I would prefer that there be no further confusion and no reason for me to believe I may have been misled.

In addition I have arranged for all my records to become an archive in a university system. I therefore would like these records to be as clear as possible.

In this sense I refer you to your concluding sentence, which I think says what you may not have had in mind, and raises other questions.

What you sent me would not seem to "constitute a full disclosure of all records pertaining to the assassination," even with the qualifier that follows. The volume of Secret Service records at the Archives, for example, is enormously greater. I do not know if those I have just received are in the Archives or not. I have heard of a new release but several of my letters of inquiry are without response. I have no way of knowing whether there are other Secret Service records in the Archives that I have not seen or of which I have not obtained copies. More, when I suffered two serious illnesses and asked the Archives to send me each release as it was released, for which I have maintained a deposit account for years, it refused. There may be Secret Service records thenx released that I do not have.

What follows in your letter, with no omission, is "which are subject to disclosure under the Freedom of Information Act."

This says that there are other records and you believe they are not subject to disclosure. You may or may not be correct in your interpretation. However, I believe that under the Act I am entitled to know what records are withheld and the exemption claimed for each. I also believe there should be such a list in existence. I therefore ask for it. Meaning a copy of it.

Given the responsibilities of the Secret Service and what I am not putting you on in describing as its dedication to those responsibilities, I do believe there are other records in areas of my known interest where exemptions may not be applicable. Frankly, I can see the claim of exemption where the real reason is fear of embarrassment to the government. One of these areas is Oswald in the service and abroad. If not also after his return and particularly in New Orleans. You may recall that this was one subject of our discussions when we met.

I do appreciate your sending me these records.

I would appreciate it if you would have a proper search made for those records still not provided in response to my request for the personal files. Your people have to know how to locate at least some of those you claim you cannot find.

Sincerely,

Harold Weisberg